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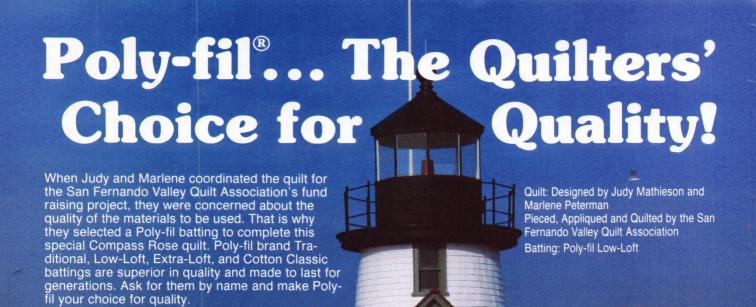




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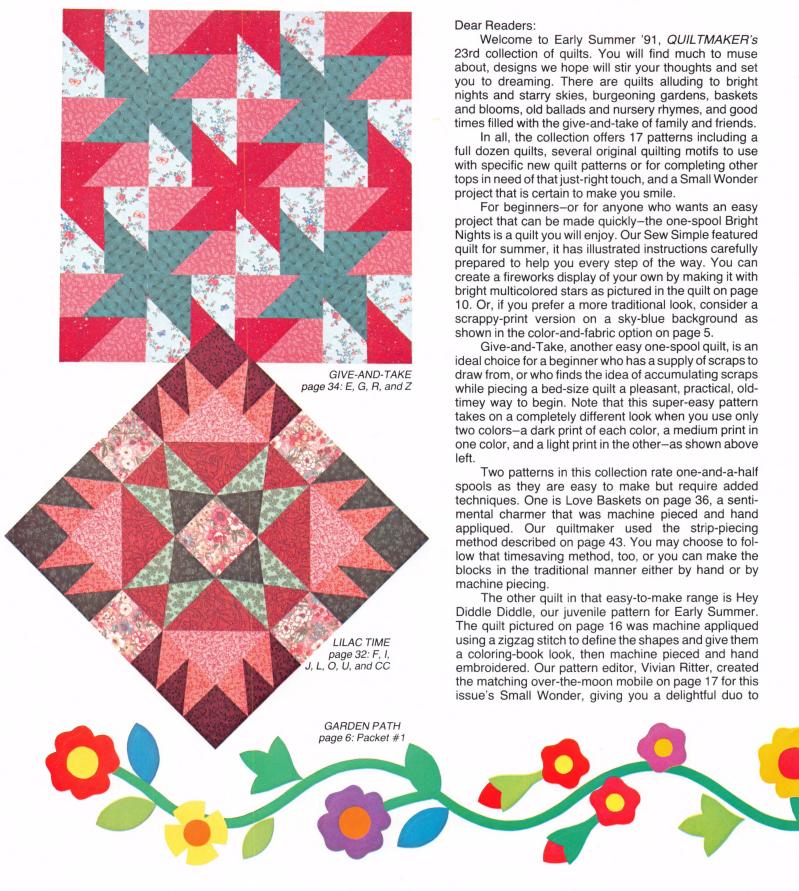
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make for some lucky child or as a shower gift that is sure to please the expectant mother and add significantly to the party's merriment.

Five quilts are in the mid-range of difficulty. Three of them are pieced geometric patterns; two include fresh and original floral appliques. And for those of you looking for patterns that will increase your quiltmaking skills, we offer three quilts at the three-spool level: Beautiful Dreamer, Playful Pinwheels, and Dandelion Wine. While they are more difficult, we have focused on providing extra help with the trickier aspects of piecing them. The special feature on page 29 gives instruction on setting in patches, aligning seams, and adding on patches in a hexagonal design. Another plus: The need to set in a patch in the Triple Link Chain block (this issue's Timeless Treasure quilt on page 24) has been eliminated entirely with the special feature's illustrated explanation of the partial-seaming technique.

Our summer collection includes four winning designs by readers: The Garden Patch, our cover quilt, by Mollie Fish of Corvallis, Oregon; Playful Pinwheels by Jan Hinshaw of Lyons, Colorado; Morning Glory by Yoshiko Taniuchi of Bethesda, Maryland; and Starburst by Elizabeth Anderson of Marengo, Illinois. If you enjoy originating designs or devising new variations of traditional patterns, please read about the QUILTMAKER Design Contest on page 38 and consider entering our quarterly competition. Next issue we could be featuring a design of yours!

We enjoy reading your letters and seeing the results you achieve using *QUILTMAKER* patterns. In each issue we share some of the quilts readers have made. Three quilts along with the quiltmakers' comments are presented in Stitch & Show on page 38.

If you are a new reader, we encourage you to read the General Instructions on page 44 for an explanation of how to use *QUILTMAKER* patterns and to answer questions you may have about making a quilt. Note that fabrics used in many of the quilts in this issue are available in Material Pleasures on pages 46-47. And for those of you who have requested other color and fabric suggestions, our artists have created other quilt-block treatments pictured here.

We hope you will find just the right quilt design among the Early Summer '91 patterns for your next project. We believe you will enjoy working with *QUILT-MAKER* patterns, and we know you will enjoy using—or giving—your quilt!

THE EDITORS



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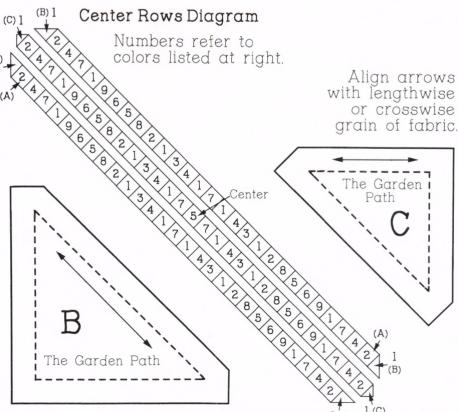


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page 8: H, BB, DD, II, and JJ

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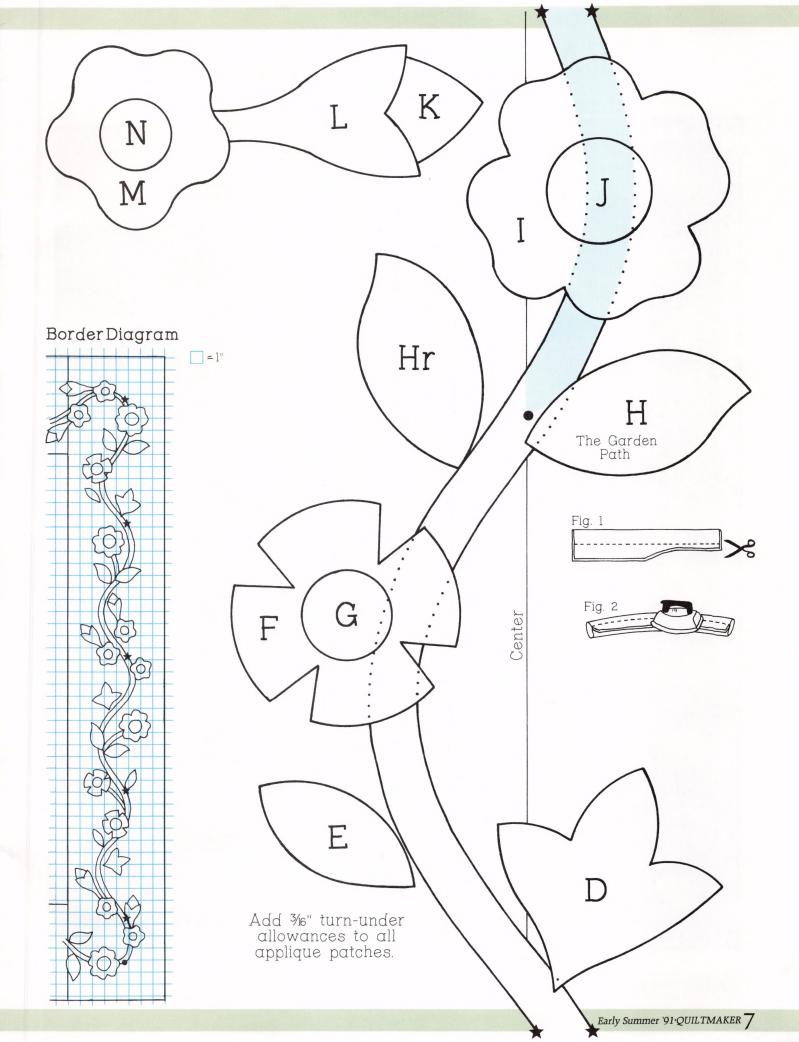


Our Early Summer '91 cover quilt combines the satisfying elements of a Trip Around the World with a graceful serpentine vine of rosy-pink flowers. Designed and sewn by Mollie Fish of Corvallis, Oregon, The Garden Path is a winner in QUILTMAKER's quarterly design contest. The elegance of the applique and plenty of quilting add substantially to the quilt's style and charm.

QUILT SIZE: 53½" x 53½" Wall Quilt YARDAGE: (44" fabric) #1 Cream Print 2¼ yds. 2 border strips☆ 8½" x 54" 2 border strips☆ 8½" x 38" binding 6¾ yda x 1½"
binding 63/8 yds. x 11/2" 72 A, 56 B, 4 C #2 Lt. Pink Print 3/8 yd. 80 A
#3 Med. Pink Print ½ yd. 16 A, 12 I #4 Dk. Pink Print ½ yd.
64 A, 20 N, 12 F #5 Red Print 1/4 yd. 33 A, 12 J
#6 Dk. Red Print 3/8 yd. 36 A, 16 K, 20 M #7 Lt. Green Print 3/8 yd.
52 A, 12 D #8 Med. Green Print 3/4 yd.
28 A, 12 H, 12 Hr, bias strip for vines 1½" x 7½ yds., 8 bias strips 1" x 2½"
#9 Dk. Green Print 3% yd. 40 A, 16 L Gray/Green Print 1/4 yd.
12 E, 4 bias strips 1" x 2½" Yellow Print Scrap 12 G
Lining

Assembly is on page 39.



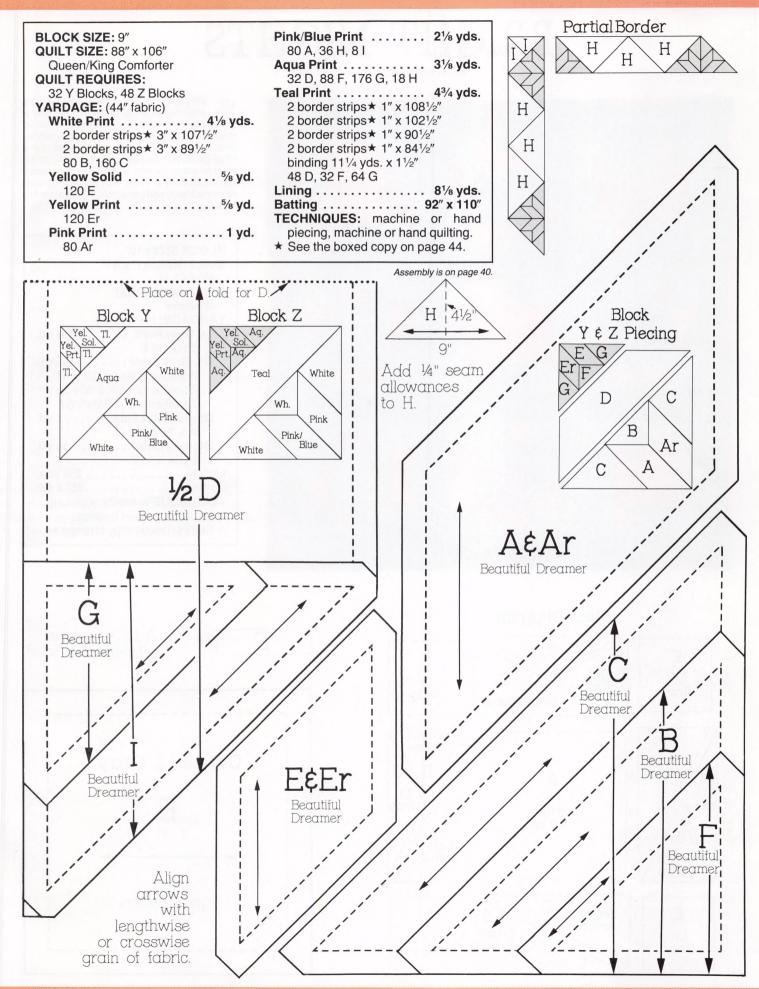


BEAUTIFUL DREAMER





If ever a quilt could foster dreams of starlight and dewdrops and offer quiet respite from the cares of the day, it would be the pastel beauty pictured above. The star points will take time and careful attention, but with the piecing help on set-ins given on page 29 in the special feature, Tricks for Tricky Piecing, you will be well prepared to make a Beautiful Dreamer of your own.



BRIGHT NIGHTS

WITH EVENING STAR QUILTING



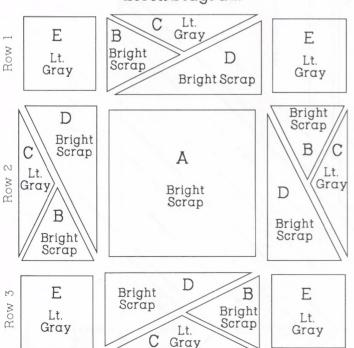
Bright Nights with its multi-colored stars beaming in a nighttime sky will add a cheery touch to an office, entry, or family-room wall. Or, considering how much children love bright colors, position your stars on a white-grounded juvenile print and make an instant hit with a favorite someone in the nursery set. It's so easy to make with our step-by-step illustrated help, you can stitch one together in a twinkling.

BLOCK SIZE: 10" **QUILT SIZE:** 41" x 41" Wall Quilt **QUILT REQUIRES:** 9 Blocks YARDAGE: (44" fabric) Lt. Gray Print 5/8 yd. 36 C, 36 E Dk. Gray Print 1 1 3/8 yds. 2 border strips ☆ 31/2" x 411/2" 2 border strips ☆ 31/2" x 351/2" 2 sashes \$\frac{1}{2}\$ 3" x 35\frac{1}{2}\$", 6 F Bright Solid Scraps 1 yd. 9 A, 36 B, 36 D Binding Color ½ yd. 5 yds. x 11/2" Lining 25/8 yds. Batting 45" x 45" TECHNIQUES: machine piecing, machine or hand quilting. ☆ See the boxed copy on page 44.

Add ¼" seam

allowances to F.

Block Diagram



Cut 36 Lt. Gray.

E

Bright Nights

21/2"

SEW SIMPLE QUICK & EASY QUILTS WITH ILLUSTRATED INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Read the General Instructions on page 44.
- **2.** Cut out all pieces listed in the box on page 10 and also marked on each patch. (Some patches are shown on page 12.)

3. Block Piecing

Lay out pieces for a block as shown in Block Diagram on page 10.

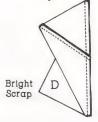
Make ¼" seams when sewing all patches.

Sew B's to C's in pairs.

Press seam allowances toward B's.

Sew D's to B/C's.

Press seam allowances toward D's.



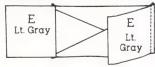
Scrap

 $^{\rm B}/_{\rm C}$

Lt.

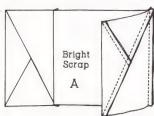
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Sew a B/C/D unit between two E's for Row 1. Repeat for Row 3.



Press allowances toward E's.

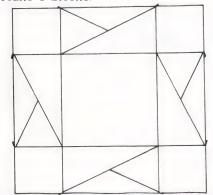
For Row 2, sew an A between 2 B/C/D units.



Press allowances toward A.

Sew rows together, matching seams. Press seam allowances toward center of block.

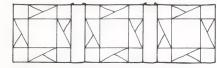
Make 9 blocks.



Be careful not to stretch patches when pressing blocks.

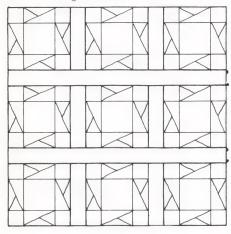
4. Quilt Assembly

Sew 2 F's (short sashes) alternately with 3 blocks. Repeat for 2 more rows.



Press allowances toward sashes

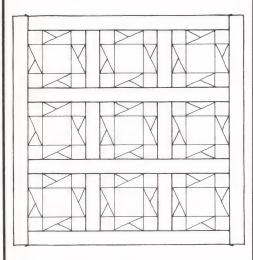
Sew rows together alternately with 2 long sashes.



Press allowances toward sashes.

5. Borders

Sew a short border to top of quilt and sew remaining one to bottom. Press allowances toward borders.



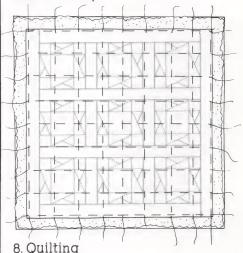
Sew a longer border to each side of quilt.
Press allowances toward borders.

6. Marking Quilting

Lightly trace Evening Star Quilting motif (from page 12) in A's.

7. Quilt Sandwich

Place lining wrong side up on a clean floor. Hold in place with small pieces of masking tape. Smooth on batting and pieced top. Starting in center, baste through all layers every 4"-6" horizontally and vertically.



See the General Instructions on page 44 for tips on hand quilting.

Quilt motifs as marked in A patches.
Quilt in-the-ditch around all other patches and borders.

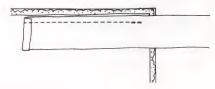
9. Binding

Cut random lengths of 1½" wide straight-grain strips from bright solid scraps. Cut a 45° angle at each end and sew a ¼" seam as shown.

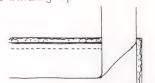


Sew strips end to end until binding is 5 yards long.
Fold under one end of binding 1/4".

Beginning in the middle of one side, sew binding to front of quilt, ¼" from edge. Stop and backstitch ¼" from end of quilt top. Remove needle from quilt.



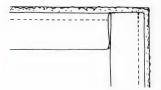
Fold binding up.



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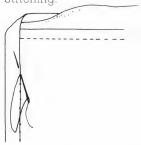
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Fold back down, even with edges of quilt top. Backstitch and begin stitching at edge of quilt.

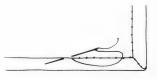


Repeat at other three corners. Cut off excess binding so that ends overlap 1/4".

Turn binding to back of quilt. Turn under ¼" and blindstitch to lining, covering previous stitching.



Fold corners and secure with extra stitches.

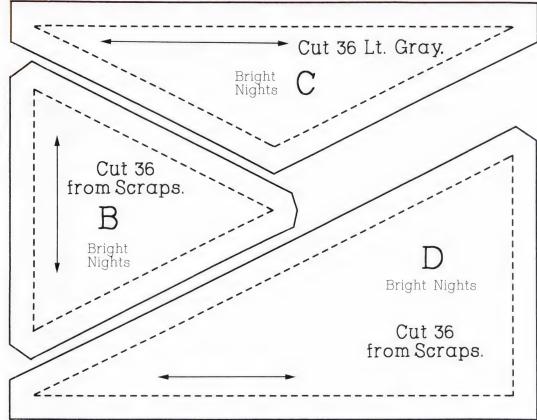


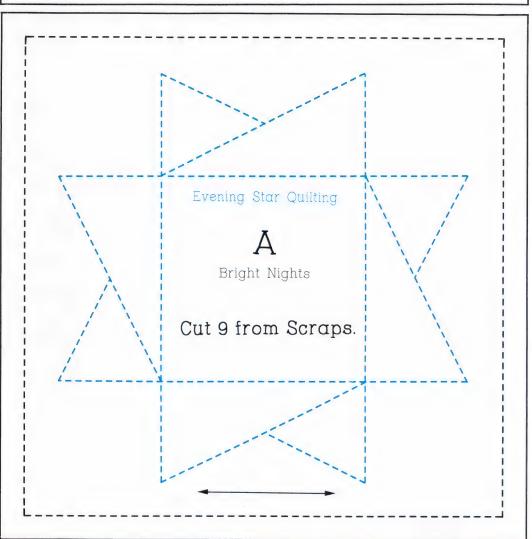
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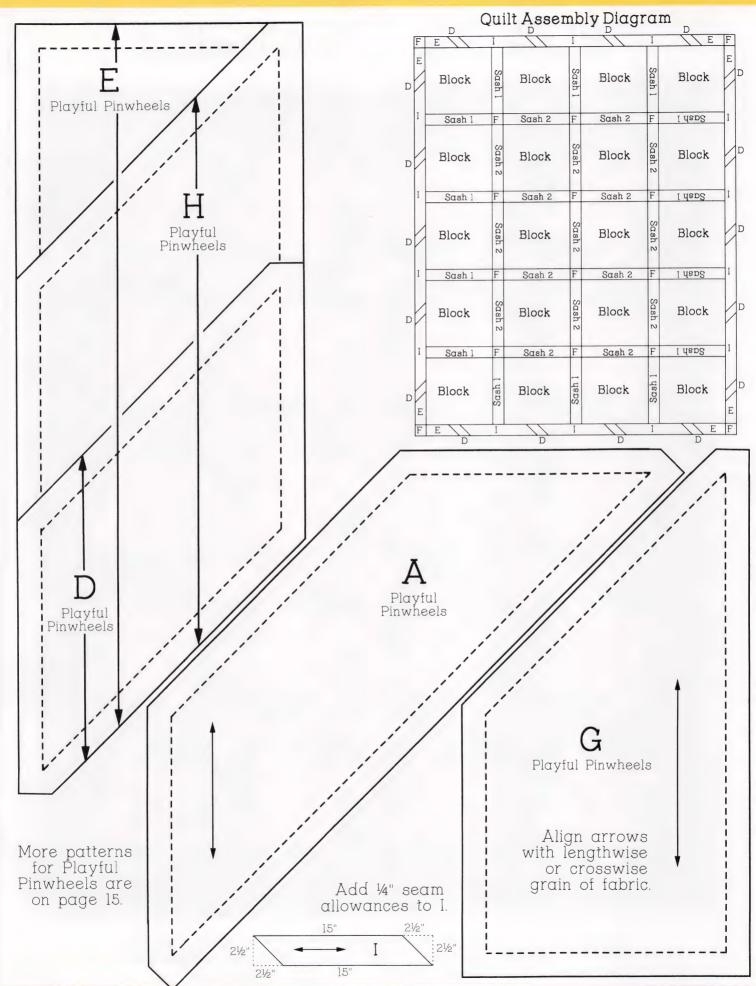
On a separate piece of fabric, embroider or write with a permanent pen your name, date, and any other information you wish. Sew label to quilt lining.

Bright Nights
Designed by Sue Ficca
Pieced by Pat Allen
Quilted by Shirley Wegert
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Align arrows with lengthwise or crosswise grain of fabric.







PLAYFUL PINWHEELS

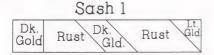


Daring contrasts in color and value create fascinating interplay among the various design elements in this winning contest entry by Jan Hinshaw of Lyons, Colorado. The trickier aspects of making Playful Pinwheels will go smoothly with the help on precision piecing and setting in patches provided in the special technique feature on page 29.

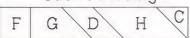


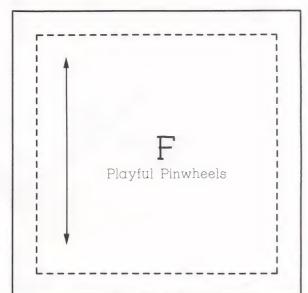
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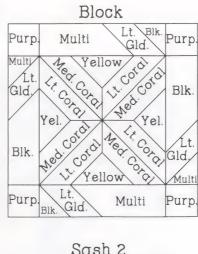
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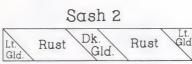


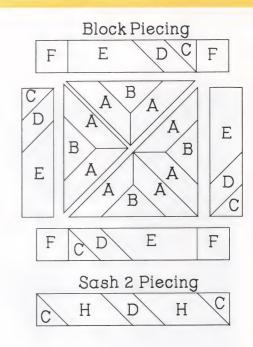
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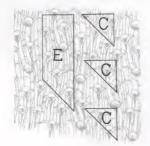








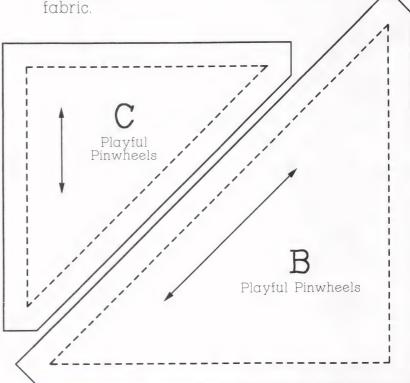
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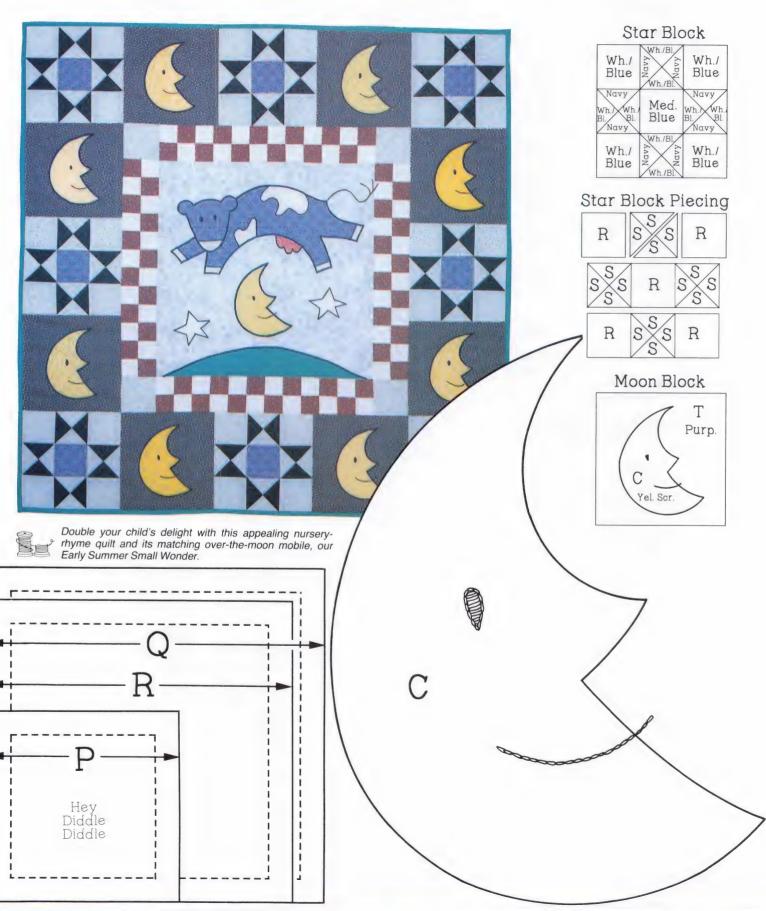
Wrong

side of

More patterns for Playful Pinwheels are on page 13. Align arrows with lengthwise or crosswise grain of fabric.



HEY DIDDLE DIDDLE



SMALL WONDERS SMALL WONDERS

HEY DIDDLE DIDDLE MOBILE

The perfect touch! A mobile-ized version of the Hey Diddle Diddle Quilt to hang above a child's bed-a delight during awake time and a dream maker during sleep. Here is the man-in-the-moon smiling among a field of twinkling stars, while a gentle cow is suspended over all. We have adapted the applique to make it easy for you to stitch.

Materials

Cotton scraps
Blue embroidery floss
Yarn for tail
½ pound polyester stuffing
Nylon thread
15" or longer ½"-wide ribbon

ASSEMBLY

1 Patterns must be made separately for the cow body, hooves, partial head, nose, and spots. You also need a pattern for the complete head (the head including the nose). Do not make a pattern for the udder vet. Trace each part and add 1/8" seam allowances/turn-under allowances around all edges. Cut a patch and a reversed patch of the body, each hoof, and spots. Cut one partial head, one nose, and one reversed complete head. Sew the hooves to the bottom of the legs in 1/8" seams. Sew the reversed hooves to the back body. Sew the nose to the bottom of the partial head. Turn

under the allowance on the spots and blindstitch to the cow body, aligning raw edges along the outer edges of the cow. Repeat for the spots on the back of the cow.

② Lightly mark eyes on face. Outline stitch eyes and fill in with satin stitch.

③ Trace the udder onto paper. Cut pattern with no seam allowances. Place the pattern wrong side up on the wrong side

of a 2" square of pink fabric and mark around the udder. Place this fabric on another 2" pink square, right sides together. Stitch on the drawn line, leaving the smooth curved line (where the udder is attached to the cow's body) unstitched. Backstitch at beginning



and end of sewing. Trim $\frac{1}{8}$ from the stitched line. Clip into inside curves, just to stitching. Turn udder right side out. Press udder, using a straight pin to smooth seam so there are no



puckers. Lightly stuff udder and baste the opening closed. Placing right sides together, thread or pin baste it along the cow's body, easing along the curve. (See the figure below.)

④ To make the tail, cut 3 strands regular-weight yarn or 6 strands sport-weight yarn, each 6" long. Place ends together and tape to a table. Braid strands. When braid is 3" long, tie a knot in the yarn. Trim and fuzz the ends. Position tail on right side of body so raw ends will be caught in seam.



(5) With raw edges even, baste ribbon to right side of cow where indicated on the pattern. Place cow bodies right sides together (udder, tail, and ribbon are sandwiched between bodies). Stitch 1/8" from edges, leaving opening for stuffing where indicated. Clip at indentations. Turn right side out and press, smoothing seam with pin to prevent puckers. Firmly stuff legs, then lightly stuff rest of body. Sew opening closed.

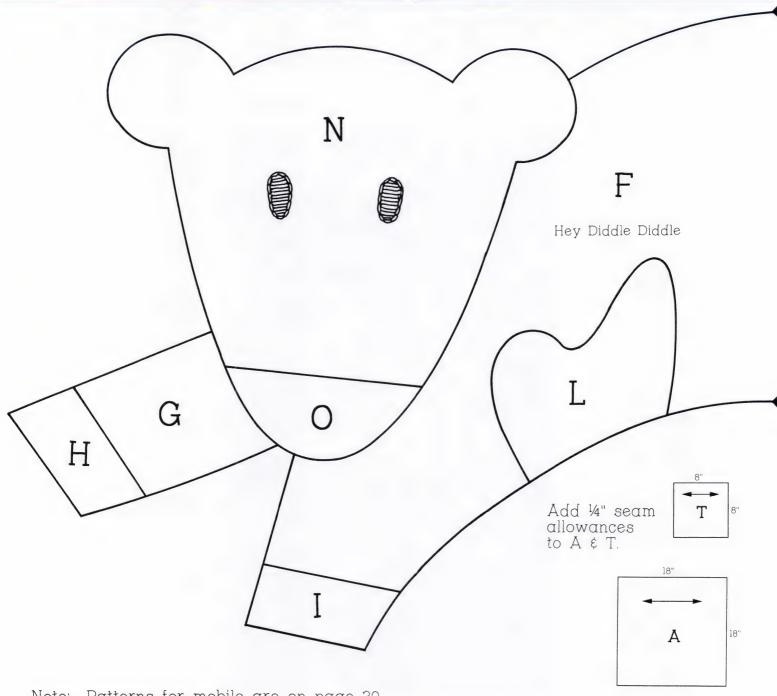
⑥ Right sides together, sew heads in 1/8" seam, leaving an opening for stuffing as indi-

cated. Clip at inside curves, turn, and stuff. Sew opening closed. Position head on cow body and tack back of head to body to secure.

Make a pattern for the moon with 1/8" seam allowances. Cut a moon and a reversed moon. Mark face on both
sides; embroider mouth with outline stitch. Outline stitch eyes
and fill in with satin stitch. Right sides together, sew moon,
leaving open where indicated. Trim points and clip inside corners. Turn, stuff, and sew opening closed.

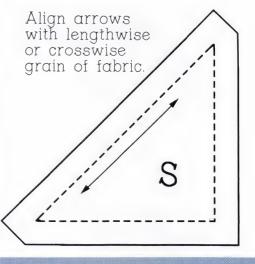
® Make a star pattern with no seam allowances. Mark around pattern on wrong side of a 3" square of fabric. Place marked square on matching 3" square, right sides together. Stitch on marked line, leaving open where indicated. Backstitch at beginning and end of stitching. Trim points and clip inside corners. With a pair of tweezers, grip the point opposite the opening and push point out through opening. Gently pull the star right side out. Press, using a straight pin to smooth out seam. Lightly stuff and sew opening closed. Make 8 stars.

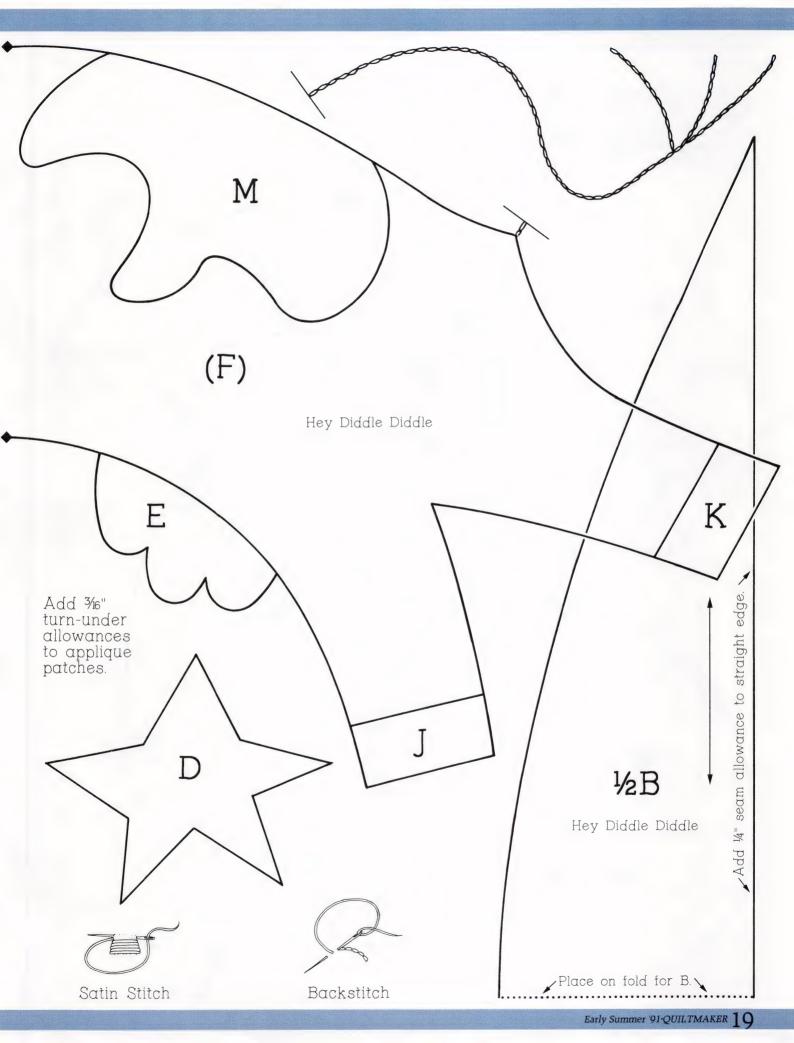
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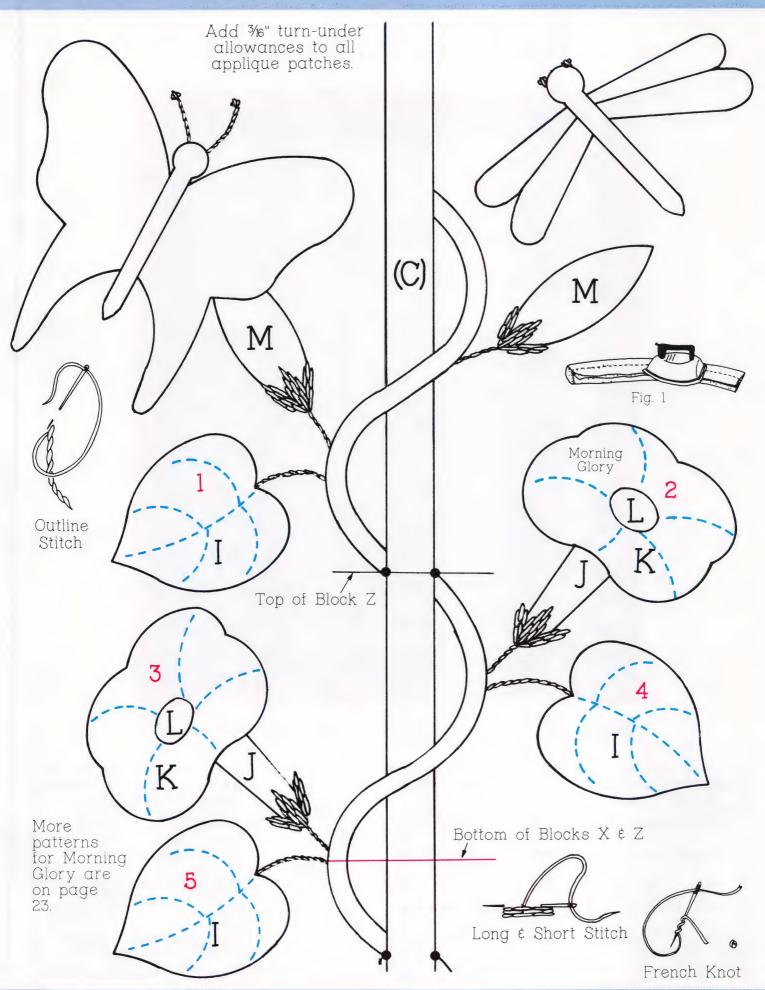
QUILT SIZE: 40" x 40" Wall Quilt	Med. Blue Print 1/4 yd. 1 F, 1 G, 1 N, 8 R
YARDAGE: (44" fabric)	Pink Print Scrap
White Print	1 E
2 D, 48 P White/Pink Print ½ yd.	Plum Print
1 H, 1 I, 1 J, 1 K, 1 L, 1 M, 1 O	Purple Print 5/8 yd.
White/Blue Print 5/8 yd.	8 T
4 Q, 32 R, 64 S	Navy Print ½ yd.
Yellow Print Scraps 1/4 yd.	64 S
9 C	Embroidery Floss: 1 skein navy
Lt. Blue Print 5/8 yd.	Lining 25/8 yds.
1 A	Batting 44" x 44"
Teal Print 3/4 yd.	TECHNIQUES: machine or hand
binding 5 yds. x 11/2"	applique, machine piecing, machine
1 B	or hand quilting or tying.
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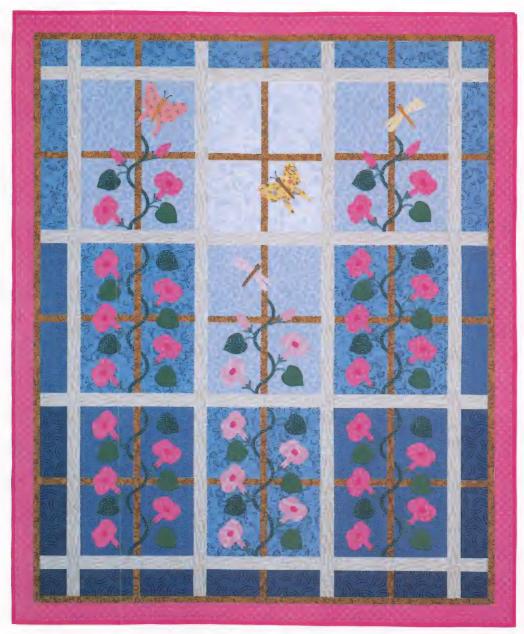


HEY DIDDLE DIDDLE MOBILE continued

Outline Stitch Add 1/8" seam allowances to all patches. and a star from each hoof. Suspend other stars from these stars and one from the moon. Give the mobile to your favorite Satin Stitch child. Body Opening Head Opening Place Tail Here.



MORNING GLORY

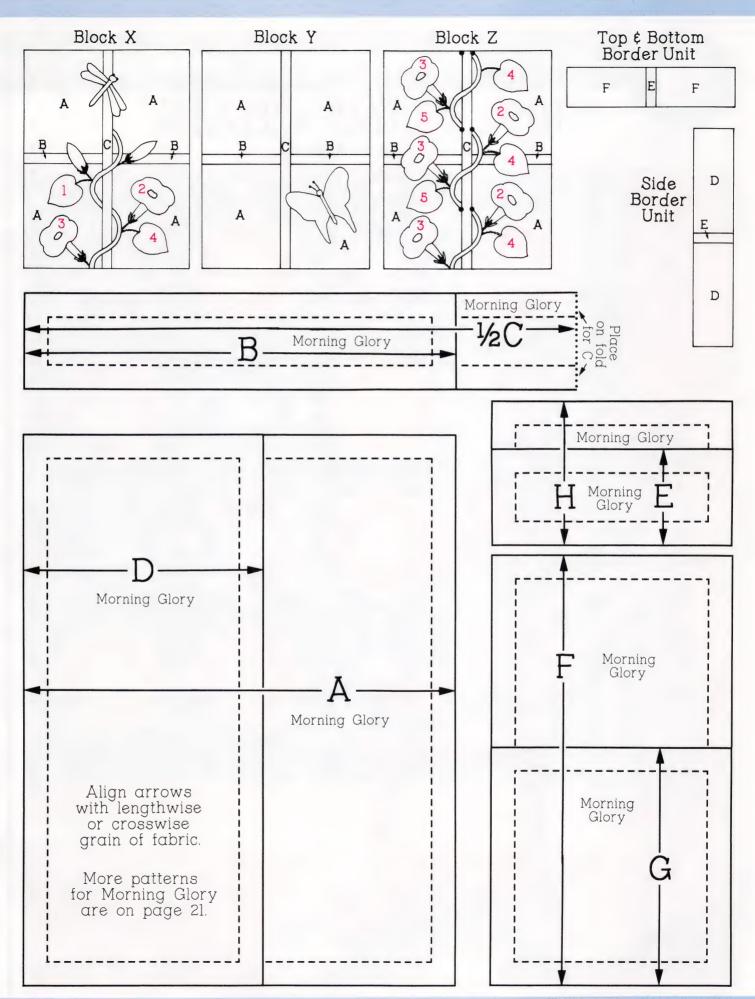


What a happy picture this quilt gives us-perky flowers climbing up crisp latticework on a fresh summer morning. Applique enthusiasts will enjoy making this graceful floral design originated by Yoshiko Taniuchi of Bethesda, Maryland.

QUILT SIZE: 371/2" x 45" Wall Quilt	Lt. Pink Print	Tan Print
YARDAGE	Med. Pink Print 13/8 yds.	12 sashing strips 11/2" x 9", 8 H
Blue #1 Print (Lt.) 1/4 yd.	2 border strips ☆ 2" x 451/2"	Gold Print 11/4 yds.
4 A	2 border strips ☆ 2" x 35"	2 border strips☆ 1" x 42½"
Blue #2 Print 3/8 yd.	24 J, 24 K, 4 M	2 border strips☆ 1" x 34"
12 A	Rose Solid 1/2 yd.	18 B, 9 C, 12 E
Blue #3 Print 1/2 yd.	binding 51/8 yds. x 11/2"	Scraps: 2 butterflies, 2 dragonflies
12 A, 4 D, 6 F, 2 G	31 L	Embroidery Floss: 1 skein black
Blue #4 Print 3/8 yd.	Med. Green Solid 1/8 yd.	Lining 1½ yds.
8 A, 4 D	181	Batting 41½" x 49"
Blue #5 Print (Dk.) 1/4 yd.	Dk. Green Print ½ yd.	TECHNIQUES: hand applique, hand
4 D, 6 F, 2 G	bias 1" x 33/4 yds., 13 I	or machine piecing, hand quilting.

[☆] See the boxed copy on page 44.

Assembly begins on page 42.

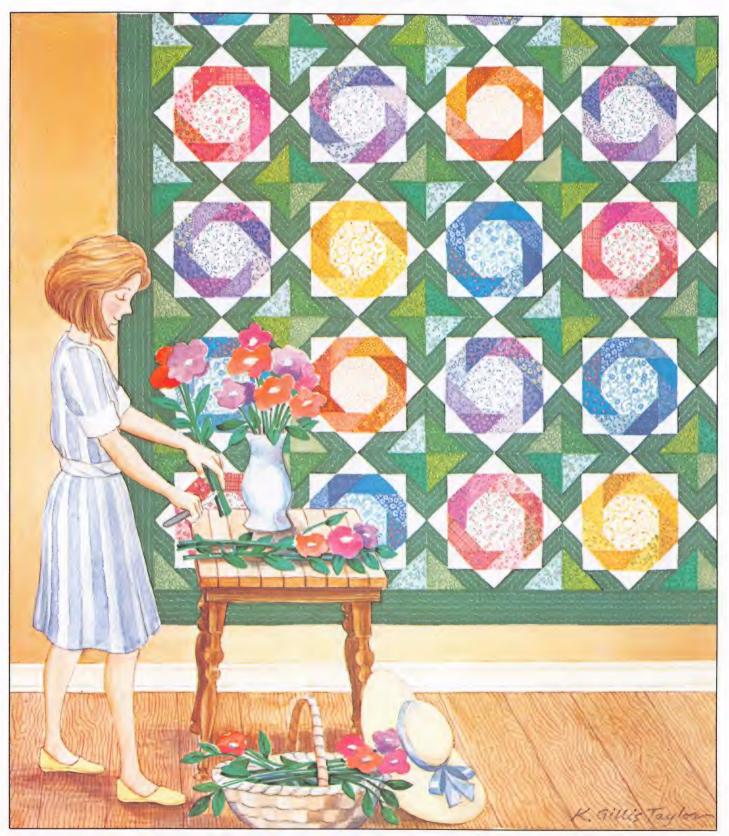


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DESIGNS THAT ENDURE AND ENDEAR

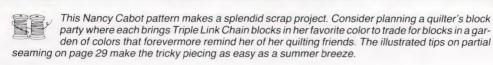
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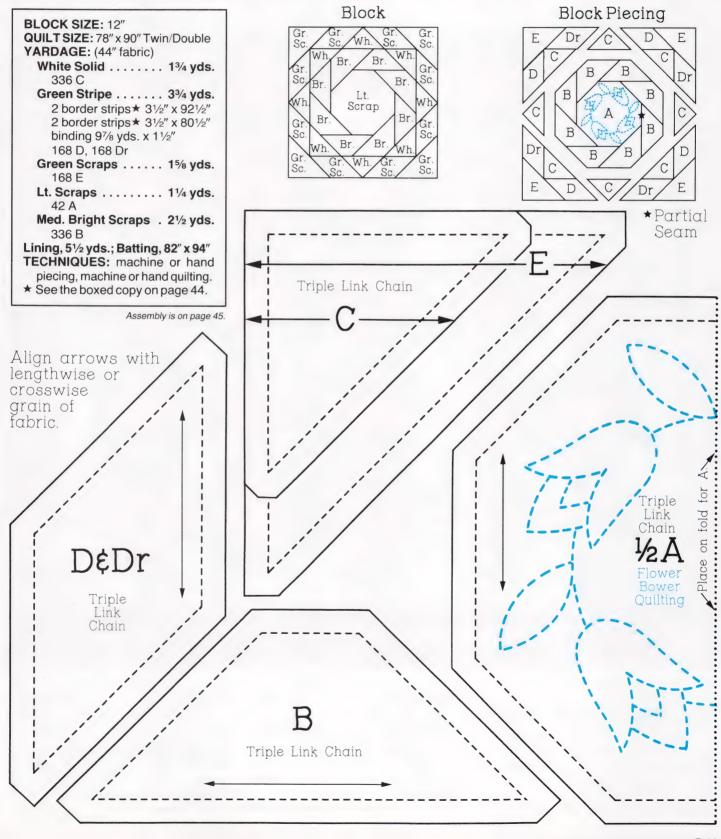
WITH FLOWER BOWER QUILTING



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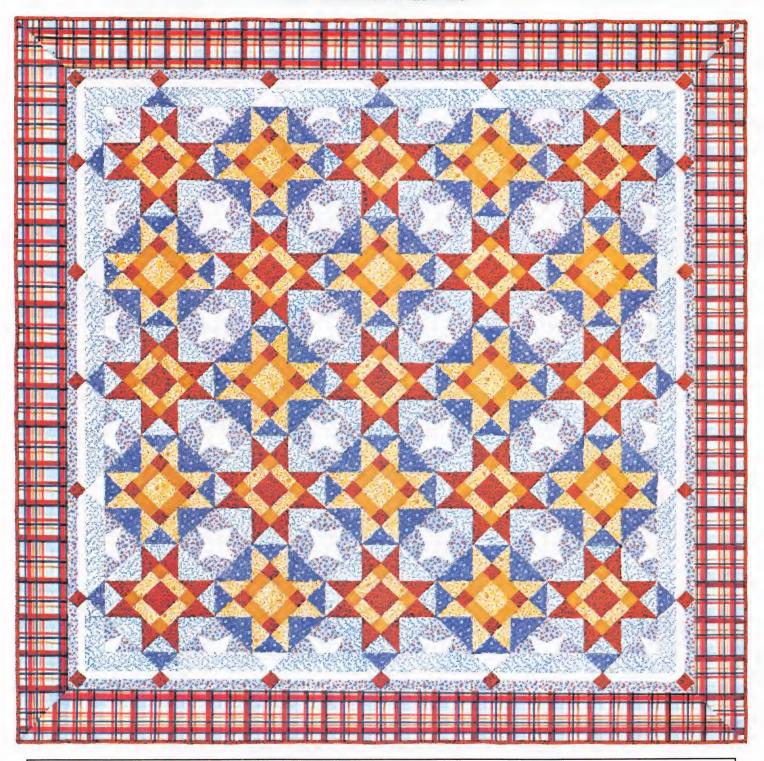
THE PAST TRADITIONAL FAVORITES GOLDEN OLDIES KEEPSAKE PATTERNS BEAUTIFUL MEMORIES





STARBURST

WITH STAR FLOWER QUILTING



BLOCK SIZE: 15"
QUILT SIZE: 99" x 99" Queen/King
YARDAGE: (44" fabric)
White Solid 15/8 yds.
8 D, 100 G, 44 J, 8 K, 16 L
Red Print 21/4 yds.
binding 111/2 yds. x 11/2"
13 A, 72 C, 104 D

With Starburst, Elizabeth Anderson of Marengo, Illinois, becomes a second-time win-

ner in our design contest. (Her Balmy Breezes pattern won in QUILTMAKER No. 5, Spring/Summer '84.) Starburst's change of coloring in alternate blocks and bright plaid border add strength and interest to a fine design.

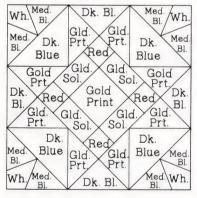
Align arrows with lengthwise or crosswise grain of fabric.

More patterns for Starburst are on page 28.

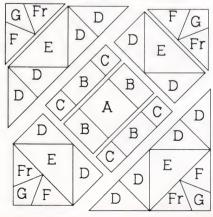
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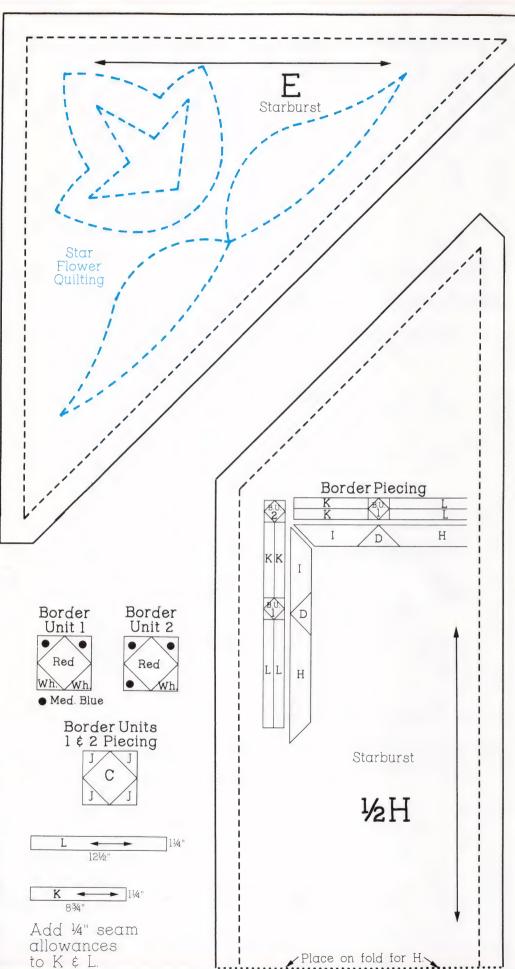
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Blue	Gld. Sol.	Blue Bl.
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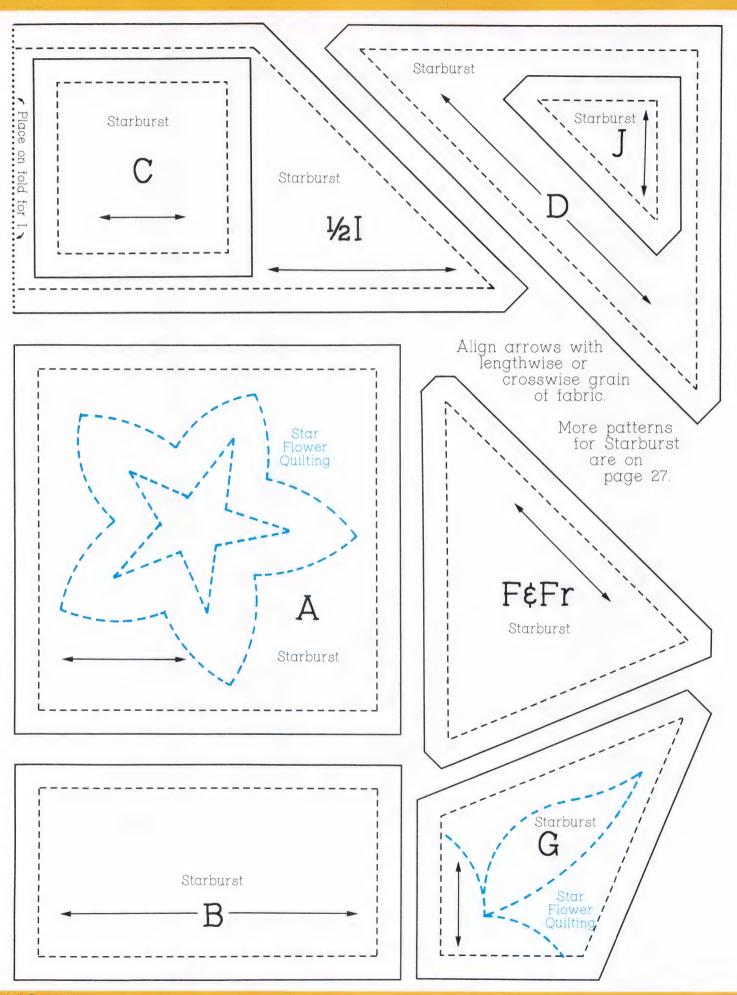
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Blocks Y & Z Piecing







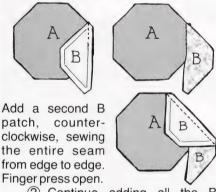
TRICKS FOR TRICKY PIECING

Not every pieced pattern can be made with simple straight seams. Some patterns require inserting a patch into an angle or making other maneuvers. Here are a few tips that you will find helpful when making guilts with tricky piecing. Four of the guilts in this issue will be easier to piece if you use these tricks on them.

PARTIAL SEAMING (Triple Link Chain, page 24)

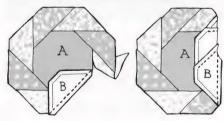
Some patterns that at first glance appear to require the setting in of a patch may instead be pieced by a simple method called partial seaming. The Triple Link Chain can be pieced more easily using this technique.

1 Sew a B patch to the A patch, sewing only halfway down the edge of A. Open flat and finger press B.



2 Continue adding all the B patches in this manner. Fold the first B out of the way before sewing on the last B.

3 Finally, complete the first partial seam. Add the other patches to complete the block as shown on the block piecing diagram on page 25



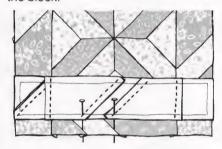
ALIGNING SEAMS (Playful Pinwheels, page 14)

Occasionally, a quilt has two patches that must align exactly or the visual impact of the design would be disrupted. In Playful Pinwheels, the D patches in the sashes must align with the D patches in the blocks. Here is a piecing technique that will help you sew the patches more precisely.

After piecing the blocks and the

sashes, mark a 1/4" seam line on the wrong side along the edges where patches will be seamed together. (If you are hand sewing, the seam line is already marked.)

2 On the wrong side of the sash, insert a pin at the center of the "X" where the marked line crosses a seam line. Align the sash with the block edge, right sides together, having the pin pierce the "X" on the corresponding seam on the back side of the block. Repeat for the remaining seams on both the block and the sash. Pin the sash to the block.



3 Stitch sash to block, from raw edge to raw edge. Join sashes and blocks as described in the guilt assembly on page 40.

4 Sew the pieced borders to the sides of quilt top in the same manner so that all D patches align.

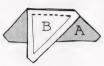
SET-IN PATCHES (Playful Pinwheels, page 14; Beautiful Dreamer, page 8)

Patches that are inserted into the angle formed by two other patches are called set-in patches. The B patches in Playful Pinwheels are set-ins, as are the B and F patches in Beautiful Dreamer. When sewing set-ins, mark the sewing lines so that you will know exactly where to stitch. When adding patches, place the just-stitched patch on top so the previous line of stitching is visible. The seam allowances are not stitched down but are left free. These directions can be applied to any pattern that requires set-in patches.

1) Mark the seam lines on those patches involved (A and B for Playful Pinwheels, A/Ar, B, E/Er, and F for Beautiful Dreamer), marking the corners precisely so that you can clearly see the exact point to start and stop your stitching. (If you are hand piecing, all patches are marked.)

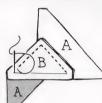
2 For Playful Pinwheels, refer to the block piecing diagram on page 15. Pin a short side of B to the edge of A. Align seam lines. Begin stitching exactly at the corner on the marked

seam line, take two stitches, and backstitch, being careful not to pass the starting point.



Stitch to the other end of the marked line and backstitch. Do not sew to the raw edge of patch.

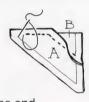
③ Pin the second A patch to the other short side of B, with B patch on top



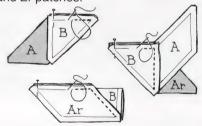
so that you can see the previous stitching. Begin stitching in exactly the same spot where the previous stitching was completed,

backstitch, then sew to the opposite end of the marked line and backstitch.

To join the A patches, fold the B patch in half, right sides together. aligning the edges of A's. Begin stitching at the point where B patch stitching ended and sew to the end.



The directions for stitching set-in patches can be adapted to the piecing of Beautiful Dreamer, shown on page 8. Patch B is set in between an A and Ar. as shown in the figures below. Likewise, F patches are set in between E and Er patches.



ADD-ON PATCHES (Dandelion Wine, page 30)

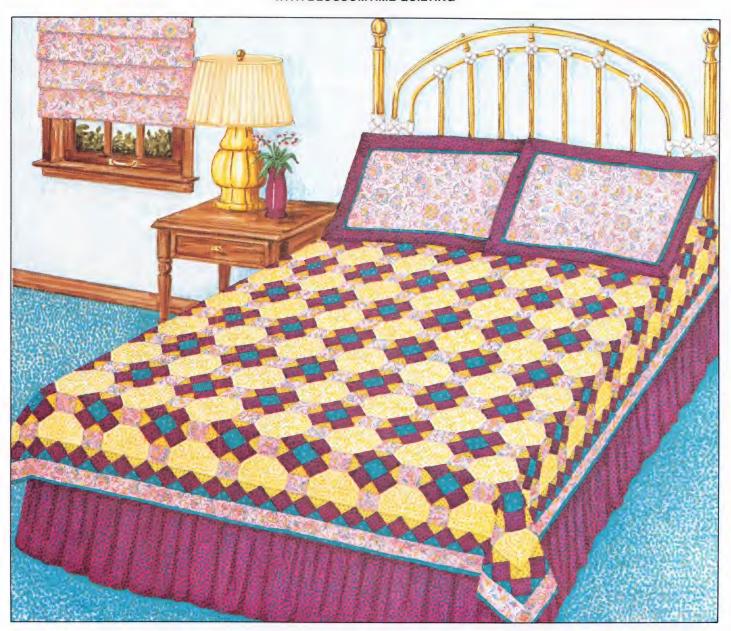
Certain patterns, like Grandmother's Flower Garden with its multiple hexagons, cannot be stitched in straight horizontal or diagonal rows. Rather, each patch must be added on until the whole is complete. This type of pattern is ideal for the hand piecer who enjoys meticulous and precise stitching. Dandelion Wine requires this kind of piecing.

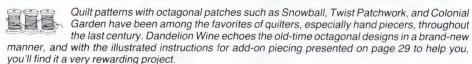
 Mark seam lines around all patches. When joining patches, begin and end at the seam line, backstitching to secure seams.

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DANDELION WINE

WITH BLOSSOMTIME QUILTING



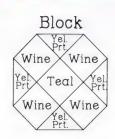


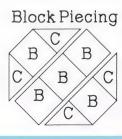
QUILT SIZE: 793/4" x 88"
Double Comforter
YARDAGE: (44" fabric)
Yellow Solid 2½ yds.
56 A, 30 F, 4 G
Yellow Print 1½ yds.
394 C, 4 E
Teal Print 1 3/8 yds.
binding 97/8 yds. x 11/2"
72 B, 110 C, 4 E

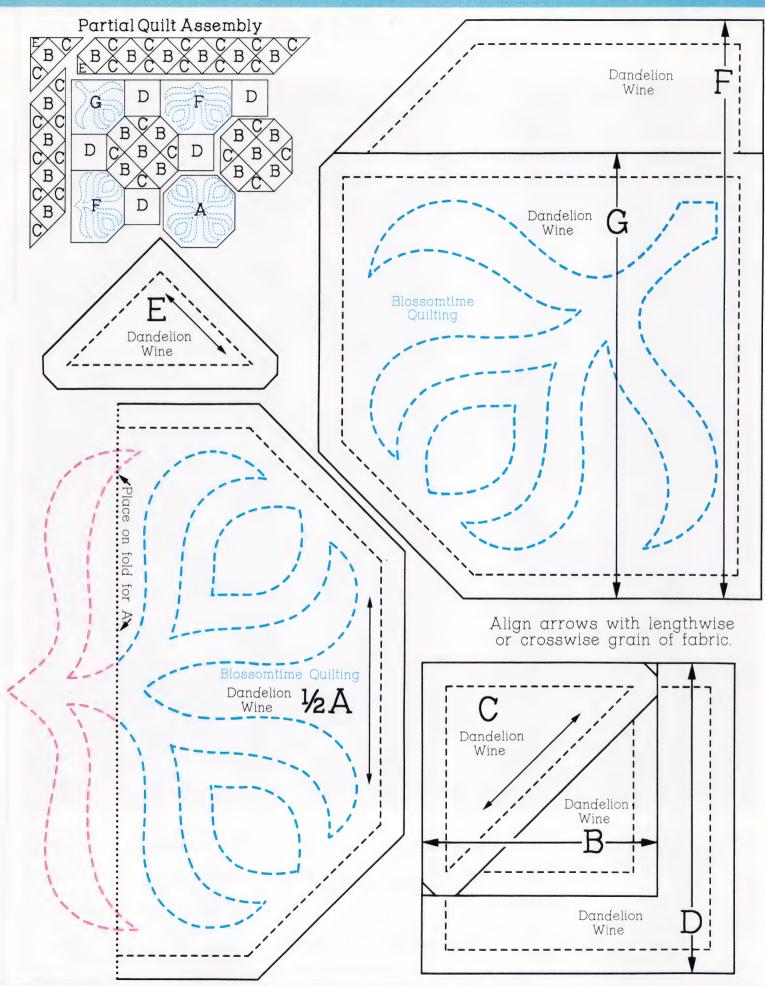
Pink Print 23/4 yds.
2 border strips ★ 31/4" x 901/2"
2 border strips ★ 31/4" x 821/4"
161 D
Wine Print 2 yds.
398 B
Lining 7½ yds.
Batting 83 ³ / ₄ " x 92"
TECHNIQUES: hand or machine piecing, hand quilting.

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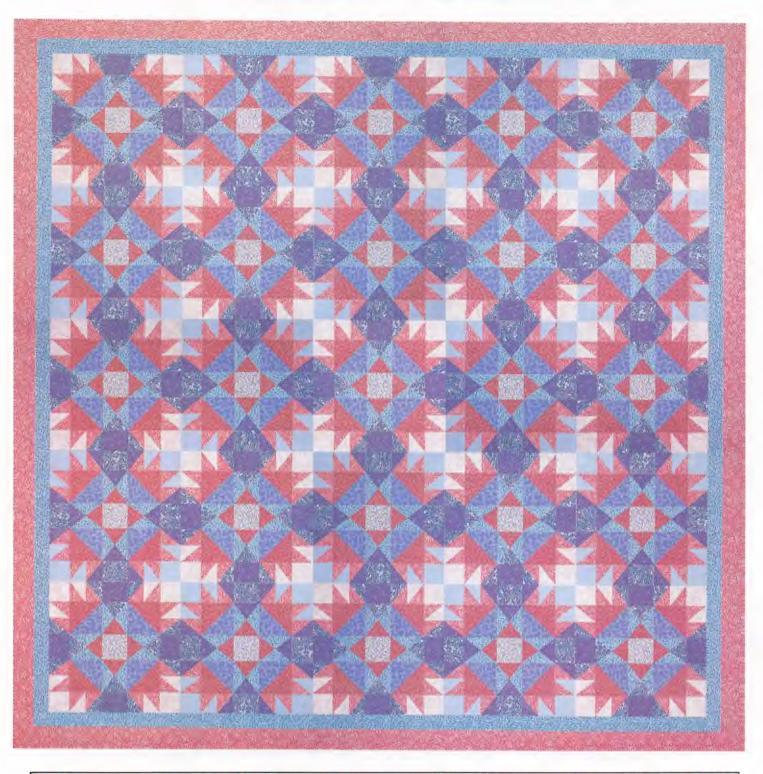
Assembly is on page 43.







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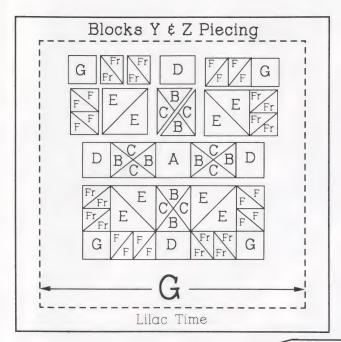
QUILT SIZE: 100" x 100" YARDAGE: (44" fabric)
White Print 3/8 yd.
25 A
Lt. Pink Print 11/8 yds.
104 F, 52 G
Med. Pink Print 33/4 yds.
4 border strips★ 3½" x 102½"
binding 11½ yds. x 1½", 400 F

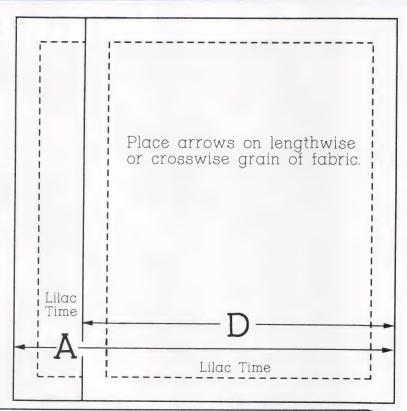
Dk. Pink Print 2 yds.
100 B, 100 E
Blue Print 27/8 yds.
4 border strips ★ 21/2" x 961/2"
200 C
Blue Solid 1 yd.
96 F, 48 G
Purple/Blue Print 15/8 yds.
52 B, 48 D, 104 F

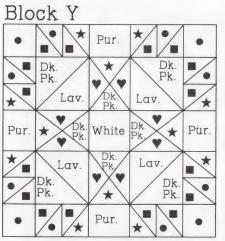
Lavender Print 1½ yds.
100 E
Purple Print 15/8 yds.
48 B, 52 D, 96 F
Lining 91/8 yds.
Batting 104" x 104"
TECHNIQUES: machine or hand
piecing, machine or hand quilting.
★ See the boxed copy on page 44.



Spread a mantle of spring across your bed with this original geometric quilt pieced in a Maytime variety of lavender, pink, and blue print fabrics.

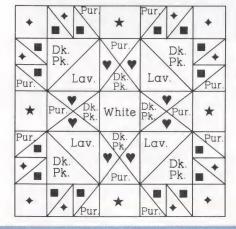


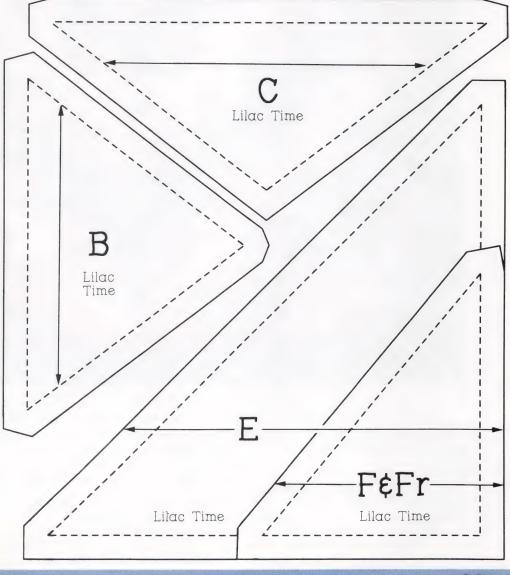




- Light Pink
- Blue Print ♦ Blue Solid
- Medium Pink
- ★ Purple/Blue







GIVE-AND-TAKE





A perfect scrap quilt choice, this one-patch pattern allows you to use all of the fabrics in your collection! Consider making a charm quilt, a style popular in the late-19th and early-20th centuries where no two patches were cut from the same fabric—a lovely reason to trade fabrics with family and friends, adding variety as you increase your quilt's sentimental value.

QUILT SIZE: 81" x 93" Double
BLOCK SIZE: 6"
QUILT REQUIRES:
84 X Blocks, 44 Y Blocks, 40 Z Blocks
YARDAGE: (44" fabric)
Lt. Scraps 2 yds.
172 A

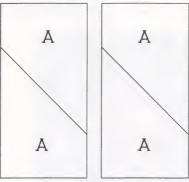
Med. Scraps 33/4 y	as.
336 A	
Dk. Scraps 2 y	ds.
164 A	
Red Print 23/4 y	ds.
2 border strips★ 2" x 89½"	
2 border strips★ 2" x 771/2"	
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Blue Print 27/8 yds.
2 border strips ★ 31/2" x 951/2"
2 border strips ★ 31/2" x 831/2"
binding 101/8 yds. x 11/2"
Lining, 71/2 yds.; Batting, 85" x 97"
TECHNIQUES: machine or hand
piecing, machine quilting or tying.

[★] See the boxed copy on page 44.

Block X Dark Medium Scrap Scrap Medium Light Scrap Scrap

Block X Piecing



Tying A Quilt

Thread a large-eyed needle with one strand of washable yarn or two strands of pearl cotton.

Avoiding seam allowances, push needle down through all layers. Leave 2"-3" tail.



Bring needle back up about 1/8" away. Push needle back down in first hole.



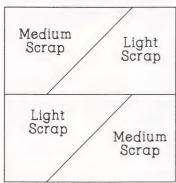
Bring needle back up. Cut, leaving about 2"-3". Tie a square (double) knot.



Quilt Assembly

X	Y	X	Z	X	Y	Y	X	Z	X	Y	X
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X	Z	X	Y	X	Z	Z	X	Y	X	Z	X
Z	X	Y	X	Z	X	X	Z	X	Y	X	Z
X	Y	X	Z	X	Y	Y	X	Z	X	Y	X
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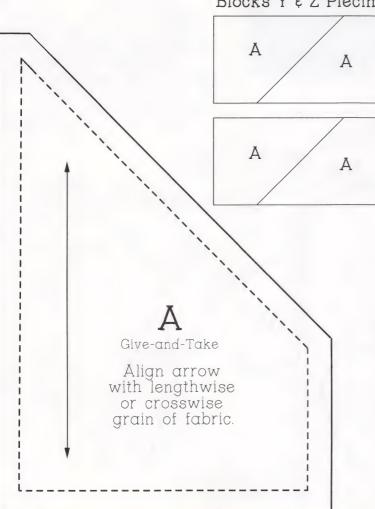




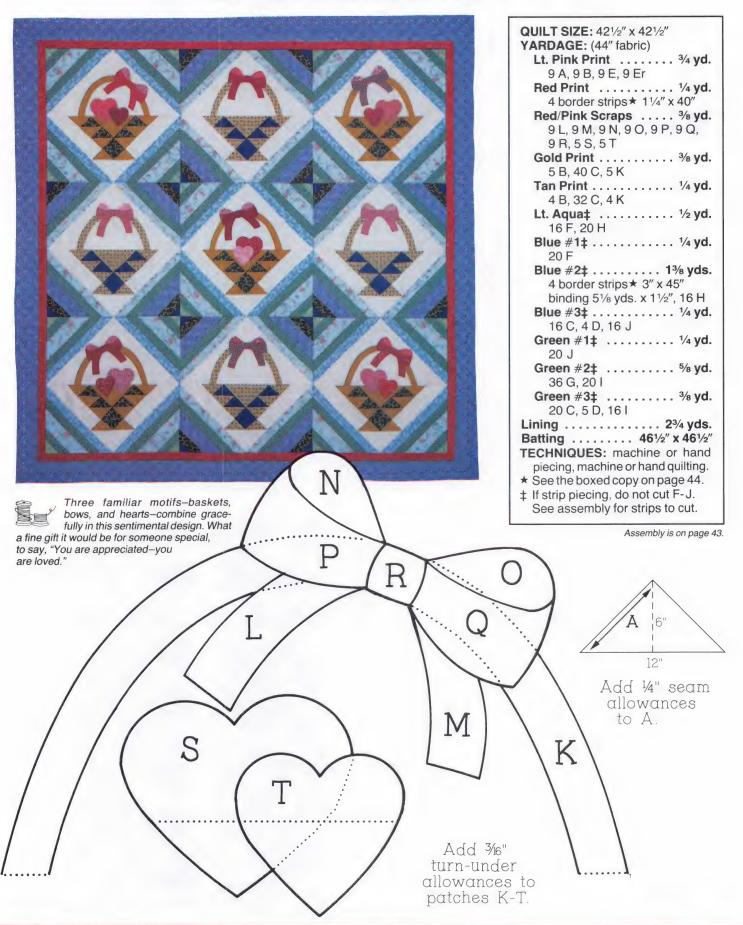
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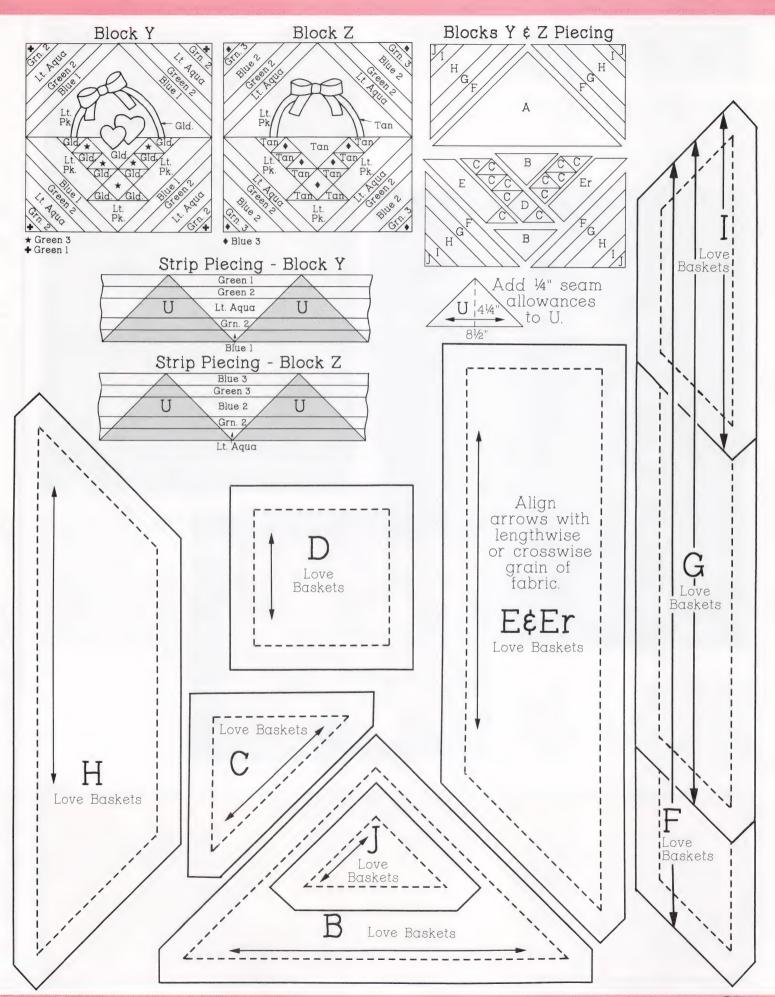


Blocks Y & Z Piecing



LOVE BASKETS





STITCH & SHOW

Readers often write to tell us of their experiences with *QUILTMAKER* patterns. In Stitch & Show we share with pleasure slides of some of the quilts readers have made. Let us see slides of your quilts, too!

Below, *STAR SHIMMER*, 64" x 80", made by Elizabeth Phillips of Arvada, Colorado, for her nephew, Justin O'Brien. Given his choice of all *QUILTMAKER* designs, he chose this F/W '83 (No. 4) pattern for his birthday quilt.



Right, *FOLK FLOWERS*, 46" x 66", made by Mary Ellen Hicks of Hickory, North Carolina, from the S/S '84 (No. 5) pattern. "I was relocated from California to North Carolina and needed something to do to keep me from being lonely in a new environment. The colors matched yours closely. All of your patterns are simply great! I look forward to each new issue!"



Above, *SIMPLY DE-VINE*, 60" x 84", made by Caroline Reardon of Black Hawk, Colorado, from the F/W '84 (No. 6) pattern. "I loved the design and chose it for my brass bed. I wanted a greater variety of color in the flowers to brighten wintry days and added extra rows of dark patches at the bottom so the quilt would be long enough to cover the pillow area, too."

QUILTMAKER DESIGN CONTEST

Do you enjoy creating new designs or unique pattern variations? Wouldn't you like to see your design idea and byline in one of the next quarterly issues of *QUILTMAKER?* We would, also, because we believe readers' designs add variety, interest, and sparkle to its pages.

We invite you to enter our ongoing quilt-design contest. Designs must be uncopyrighted originals or original variations of traditional patterns. We are looking for pieced, appliqued, embroidered, or combination designs whose pattern pieces will fit on one or two pages. We prefer that you submit your drawing on 8½″ x 11″ graph

paper and color it with pencils or felt pens.

Be sure to identify your drawing with the name of your design, your name, address, phone number, and the source of your design idea, if any. Mail your entry to:

> QUILTMAKER Design Contest Box 394

Wheatridge, CO 80034-0394

If similar entries are submitted, preference will be given to the one with the earlier postmark. We will notify all winners when judging has been completed. Nonwinning entries

will be returned after judging *only* if a self-addressed, stamped envelope is included.

The judging dates are **February 1**, **May 1**, **August 1**, and **November 1**. Remember, if you want your entry returned, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Each winner will be sent a check for \$75 upon publication of his or her design. Winner's name will be published with the design.

So why not get your design idea on paper right now and send it in before the next judging date? It might be just the pattern idea we're looking for in an upcoming QUILTMAKER.

GARDEN PATH

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ASSEMBLY

① Referring to center rows diagram and quilt photo on page 6, sew A's in diagonal rows. Sew a C patch to each end of middle row. Sew a B patch to each end of all other rows. Join rows. Sew a C to remaining corners.

② Fold border strips in half lengthwise and lightly press fold. Sew short border strips to top and bottom of pieced quilt. Sew remaining border

strips to sides. Set aside.

- 3 Make a pattern for the vine as follows: Tape together tracing paper to make a piece 8" x 531/2". Fold the paper in half lengthwise and crease center fold. Lightly make a mark 33/8" from one end of the paper on the center fold. Refer to the border diagram on page 7. Place tracing paper on top of the fullsize pattern, matching the center fold line of the paper with the center line of pattern and placing the top stars on the pattern in line with the mark on the paper. Use a dark pen to trace the vine between the stars. Do not mark the flowers and leaves. Reposition the pattern, matching stars; trace a second vine. Repeat two more times. Finally, trace the vine shown in blue on the fullsize pattern and on the border diagram.
- ④ Each square of the grid on the border diagram equals 1". Use grid as reference for the placement of flowers and leaves. Trace motifs onto paper.
- ⑤ On the right border strip of the quilt, lightly make a mark on the creased center 35/8" from the top raw edge. Place the paper pattern under the fabric border. Align center folds and the top of the vine with the mark on the fabric. With a pencil or marking pen, lightly trace the vine, flowers, and leaves on the fabric. Turn the quilt and repeat in the bottom border, making certain that there is a continuous, smooth curve at the corner. Repeat for left-side and top borders.
- ⑥ Refer to Figs. 1 and 2 on page 7. Fold 1½" medium green bias strip in half lengthwise, with wrong sides together. Stitch ½" from folded edge. Trim near stitching and press strip so that seam is underneath. Likewise, fold the 1" medium green and gray/green bias strips in half lengthwise and stitch ¼" from folded edge. Trim and press as above.
 - 7 Position and pin the long bias

strip and short stems on the drawn lines in border.

8 Turn under 3/16" allowances on all applique patches and baste. Position, pin, and blindstitch appliques.

(9) Quilt in-the-ditch around A's, B's, C's, and applique patches. Quilt diagonal lines from the corners of A patches to edge of the quilt around appliques as shown. Bind to finish.

HEY DIDDLE DIDDLE

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ASSEMBLY

① Refer to the quilt on page 16. Note that all applique patches have been zigzag stitched with navy thread to add definition to the shapes. If using machine zigzag to stitch appliques, it is not necessary to add turn-under allowances. If hand stitching, add ¾16" turn-under allowances to curved edge of B and to all other applique patches. Turn under ¾16" allowances on applique patches and baste. Whether appliqueing by hand or by machine, add ¼" seam allowances to straight edge of B.

2 Align straight edge of B patch with bottom edge of A and pin to keep edges together. If using a machine zigzag stitch, test it first. If the stitching puckers the fabric, place typing paper or tear-away interfacing under the A patch to stabilize it. Blindstitch or machine zigzag curved edge of B to A. Referring to quilt, position, pin, and stitch the applique patches to A in alphabetical order. Applique moons to T patches. Carefully remove typing paper or tear-away interfacing. Cut away background fabric under applique patches, including the medium blue print under the cow's spots.

③ Lightly mark eyes on cow and eye and mouth on moon. With three strands embroidery floss, outline eyes with backstitch; fill in with satin stitch. Backstitch the mouth on the moon and the cow's tail.

④ To make inner pieced borders, refer to quilt photo. Join 6 plum P's alternately with 6 white P's to make a row. Make 7 more rows like this. Join 2 rows, turning one upside down to make a checkerboard border. Make 4 borders like this. Sew to top and bottom of quilt, turning as shown. Sew a Q to each end of remaining borders and sew to sides.

(5) Referring to block diagram on page 16, make 8 star blocks. For outer continued on next page

T.J.'S Quick Quilter

For beautiful work
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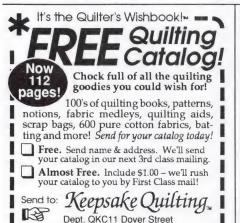


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borders, join 2 moon blocks with 1 star block. Sew to top of quilt. Repeat for bottom. Join 3 star blocks with 2 moon blocks. Sew to side of quilt. Repeat for other side.

⑥ Quilt in-the-ditch around all applique patches, patches in inner pieced border, and star block patches. If tying, make ties at random in the "sky" of A patch, at corners of all blocks, and make several ties along the inner pieced borders (P's). Bind to finish.

BEAUTIFUL DREAMER

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ASSEMBLY

- ① Referring to block diagrams on page 9, make 32 Y blocks and 48 Z blocks. The gray portion of the block diagrams is a star border unit. Make 40 star border units.
- ② Referring to quilt photograph on page 8, arrange blocks in 10 rows of 8 blocks each, turning blocks as needed to form design. Join blocks in rows. Join rows.
- ③ Referring to the partial border diagram on page 9, join 8 pink/blue H's with 4 aqua H's and 8 star border units to make top pieced border. Sew to top of quilt. Repeat for bottom. Join 10 pink/blue H's with 5 aqua H's and 12 star border units. Sew to side of quilt. Repeat for other side. Sew 2 I's to each corner.
- Matching centers, sew a short white border strip between an 84½" and a 90½" teal border strip. Sew to top of quilt. Repeat for bottom. Sew a long white border between 102½" and 108½" teal borders and sew to side of quilt. Repeat for other side. Miter corners; trim excess from seam allowances.
- ⑤ Layer quilt lining, batting, and top. Quilt 1/4" from seams of all patches and borders. Bind to finish.

PLAYFUL PIN-WHEELS

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ASSEMBLY

1 If you are using a directional multi print like the one used in the quilt photo, cut E's and C's as shown in the cutting diagram on page 15. Referring to diagrams on page 15, make 20 blocks, 14 sash 1's, and 17 sash 2's.

2 Referring to the guilt diagram on page 13, arrange blocks, sashes, and F's in horizontal rows, turning sashes as shown. Join parts, referring to the directions for precision piecing on page 29 to align D's in blocks with D's in sashes. Join rows.

- 3 Referring to quilt diagram, join 4 D's, 2 E's, and 3 I's to make top pieced border. Sew to top of guilt. Repeat for bottom. Join 5 D's, 2 E's, and 4 I's to make side pieced border. Sew an F to each end. Sew to side of guilt. Repeat for other side.
- (4) Add multi-print border strips. mitering corners and trimming excess from seam allowances.
- (5) Quilt in-the-ditch around all patches and along seams of sashes and borders. Bind to finish.

STAR-BURST

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ASSEMBLY

- 1) Referring to block diagrams on page 27, make 13 Y blocks, 12 Z blocks, 20 border unit 1's, and 4 border unit 2's.
- 2 Arrange blocks in 5 rows of 5 blocks each, alternating blocks as pictured. Join blocks in rows. Join rows.
- 3 Refer to the partial border piecing diagram on page 27 and the quilt illustration on page 26. Join 3 dark blue D's, 2 white D's, 4 light blue H's, and 2 light blue I's to make top pieced border. Sew to top of guilt. Repeat for bottom and sides, mitering corners.
- (4) Sew white and medium blue K's in pairs. Sew white and medium blue L's in pairs. Join 4 L/L pairs with 5 border unit 1's. Sew a K/K pair to each end. Sew to top of quilt. Make 3 more borders like this. Sew 1 to bottom of quilt. Sew a border unit 2 to each end of remaining pieced borders. Sew to sides.
- (5) Add plaid borders, mitering corners and trimming excess from seam allowances.
- 6 Mark Star Flower guilting motif in A, E, and G patches. Quilt as marked. Quilt 1/4" from seams of B, D, F/Fr, H, and I patches. Quilt in-the-ditch around other patches. Quilt plaid border as desired. Bind to finish.

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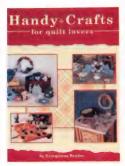
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MORNING GLORY

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ASSEMBLY

① Turn under ¾16" allowances on all applique patches. It is not necessary to turn under edges that will be covered by other patches.

2 Refer to block diagrams on page 23 and full-size pattern on page 21. Note that the bottom of block X begins at the red line. To make an X block, piece a B between 2 blue #2 A's. Repeat. Sew a C between these 2 parts. Make 3 blocks. Lightly trace the vine on each block, beginning at the red line. Trace flowers, buds, and leaves as shown in block diagram. To make the vine, fold the 1"-wide bias strip lengthwise with wrong sides together and stitch 3/16" from the folded edge (Fig. 1 on page 21). Trim raw edges close to the stitching and press seam allowances so that they are hidden underneath. Cut into 3 11" lengths and 5 17" lengths. Begin pinning an 11" vine to a block. Where it travels underneath the C patch, pick out as much of the stitching as needed and tuck the strip under C. (Tweezers will help.) Blindstitch the vine and the C patch where stitching was picked out. Make 1 X block with light pink flowers and rose centers. Make 2 X blocks with medium pink flowers and rose centers. Position, pin, and blindstitch flowers, buds, leaves, and a dragonfly or butterfly on each X block.

③ To make the Y block, make the background as described in step 2, using blue #1 A's. Blindstitch a butterfly as shown in diagram on page 23.

4 Make a pattern for the Z block applique as follows: Align the bottom of a piece of 81/2" x 11" tracing paper with the red line on full-size pattern. Trace the vine from the red line up to the top set of dots. Realign the paper, matching dots, and trace the portion of the vine between the sets of dots two more times as shown on the block Z diagram. Trace the flowers and leaves as shown on diagram. Stitch an 11" vine on each Z as described in step 2. Make 1 Z block with blue #3 A's and light pink flowers with rose centers. Make 2 Z blocks with blue #3 A's and medium pink flowers with rose centers. Make 2 Z blocks with blue #4 A's and medium pink flowers with rose centers.

⑤ Embroider veins on flowers, buds, and leaves using a short running stitch as shown in blue on full-size patterns, or mark and quilt later. Use outline stitch for stems and antennae. Make french knots for dragonfly eyes and butterfly antennae ends. For the lower leaves (calyx), use long and short stitch as shown.

⑥ Make 3 top border units with blue #3 F's and gold E's. Make 3 bottom border units with blue #5 F's and gold E's. Make 2 side border units with blue #3 D's, 2 side border units with blue #4 D's, and 2 side border units with blue #5 D's, all with gold E's.

Refer to quilt photo on page 22. Join blocks, 1½" x 9" tan sashes, and top and bottom border units in 3 vertical rows. Join rows with long tan sashes.

® Make pieced side borders as follows: Join side border units in order shown with tan H's. Sew a G to each end. Sew to sides of quilt. Sew short borders to top and bottom of quilt. Sew long borders to sides.

GIVE-AND-Take

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ASSEMBLY

① Divide your scraps into lights, mediums, and darks. Since you need twice as many mediums as lights, place "medium lights" in the medium pile. Likewise, place "medium darks" in the medium pile. Although traditionally every patch in a charm quilt is made from a different fabric, feel free to use a fabric more than once, particularly if you don't have enough light or dark scraps, or if you prefer to emphasize a particular color or fabric.

② Cut out the required number of patches from each pile of scraps. Referring to the block diagrams on page 35, make 84 X blocks, 44 Y blocks, and 40 Z blocks.

③ Referring to the quilt assembly diagram on page 35 and the quilt photograph on page 34, arrange blocks in 14 rows of 12 blocks each, turning blocks as necessary to duplicate the design. Join blocks in rows. Join rows.

Add borders, mitering corners and trimming excess from seam allowances.

5 Layer quilt lining, batting, and

top. Baste. Quilt 1/4" from seams of all patches. Quilt borders as desired. Bind to finish.

LILAC TIME

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ASSEMBLY

- ① Referring to the block diagrams on page 33, make 13 Y blocks and 12 Z blocks.
- ② Join 3 Y blocks alternately with 2 Z blocks to make a row. Make 2 more rows like this. Join 3 Z blocks alternately with 2 Y blocks to make a row. Make a second row like this. Join rows, alternating types.
- ③ Matching centers, sew on borders, mitering corners and trimming excess from seam allowances.
- ④ Layer quilt lining, batting, and top. Baste. Quilt in-the-ditch around patches A-D, F, and G. Quilt 1/4" from seams of E's. Bind to finish.

DANDE-Lion Wine

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ASSEMBLY

- ① We recommend hand piecing for this pattern. Read the feature on Tricks for Tricky Piecing given on page 29 about instructions for joining "addon" patches.
- ② Referring to block diagrams on page 30, sew B's and C's to make a block. Make 72 blocks.
- ③ Refer to the partial quilt assembly diagram on page 31 for joining blocks with patches. Beginning in one corner as shown, join blocks with A's, D's, F's, and G's, adding on each patch or block and pivoting at corners as described in the feature on page 29.

Make the top pieced border as follows: Sew 25 wine B's between 24 yellow print C's and 24 teal C's. Add a yellow print E at each end. Sew to top of quilt, with the yellow patches touching the quilt. Repeat for bottom border.

(5) Make a side pieced border as follows: Sew 28 wine B's between 29 yellow print C's and 27 teal C's. Sew to side of quilt. Repeat for other side.

- ⑥ Make 4 corner units by joining 1 B, 2 C's, and 1 E as shown in partial quilt assembly. Sew one to each corner.
- 7 Add borders. Miter corners and trim excess from seam allowances.
- ® Quilt in-the-ditch around all patches. Mark the quilting motif (shown in blue) in half of an A patch. Rotate the pattern and mark in the other half of the A. Repeat in all A's. Mark the motif shown in blue in the ½A plus the quilting motif (shown in pink) that extends beyond A in all F patches. Mark the motif as given in G patches. Quilt as marked. Bind to finish.

LOVE BASKETS

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ASSEMBLY

 \bigcirc Turn under $^3/_{16}$ " allowances on all applique patches. It is not necessary to turn under edges that will be covered by other patches.

② Position, pin, and blindstitch applique patches K-R on A patches.

- ③ If you are strip piecing the corners of the blocks, cut these strips in place of patches F-J. From light aqua cut 5 strips 13/4" x 40" and 4 strips 11/4" x 40"; from blue #1 cut 5 strips 11/4" x 40"; from blue #2 cut 4 strips 13/4" x 40"; from blue #3 cut 4 strips 11/4" x 40"; from green #1 cut 5 strips 11/4" x 40"; from green #2 cut 14 strips 11/4" x 40"; from green #3 cut 4 strips 11/4" x 40".
- A Referring to the strip-piecing diagrams on page 37, join strips in the order shown to make pieced bands. There will be 5 pieced bands all alike for block Y and 4 pieced bands for block Z. Press seam allowances to one side. Use a see-through 45° triangle or make a U template from the diagram. With a rotary cutter, cut 4 U triangles from each pieced band. (There will be "leftover" triangles between the cut patches that can be saved and used in other projects. Four of these sewn together would make a nice potholder.)
- ⑤ Referring to diagrams on page 37, make 5 Y blocks and 4 Z blocks. Blindstitch patches S and T on Y blocks.
- 6 Join blocks in 3 rows of 3 blocks each. Join rows.
- 7 Add borders. Miter corners and trim excess from seam allowances.
- (8) Quilt in-the-ditch around applique patches and along seams of pieced patches. If desired, quilt 1" parallel lines in backgrounds of baskets. Bind to finish.



GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

QUILTMAKER PATTERNS

We give seam lines (dashed) as well as cutting lines (solid) for QUILTMAKER'S full-sized pieced patterns. Seam allowances are 1/4" for all pieced patterns, and the points are trimmed to reduce bulk in the seams and help with exact alignment of patches for machine sewing. The seam lines of adjoining patches fall into place for stitching when cut edges and trimmed points are aligned.

Large pieces are shown in miniature with dimensions. Use graph paper to rule these patterns in the measurements given, or measure and mark them directly onto the fabric using a carpenter's square, right triangle, or similar tool. The dimensions shown do not include seam allowances. Be sure to add them when you mark and cut your fabric.

Seam allowances (plus 2" extra length for insurance) are included in border strip lengths in quilt specifications.

Where it is particularly important for the strip to be an exact size, as for an outer pieced border, seam allowances are given but not extra length.

No turn-under allowances are given for the applique patterns. Add 3/16" by eye when cutting. Occasionally, an applique pattern will be labeled with a letter in parentheses. This means that the segment is a continuation of another piece with the same letter. If we give just half of the pattern piece, the center line is indicated with a dotted line. When making the template, simply trace around pattern, flip the tracing over, and align the dotted center lines. Trace around pattern again to complete template for whole patch.

A pattern letter followed by an "r" indicates the need to reverse the pattern. If instructions call for 8 A and 8 Ar, mark 8 A, turn the template over and mark 8 Ar patches.

MAKING TEMPLATES

Trace pattern pieces onto clear template plastic, or trace on paper and glue the tracing to sandpaper, plastic, or cardboard. Cut out accurately. See instructions for method of your choice to determine whether to trace seam lines or cutting lines when making templates. Make a sample block to test the accuracy of templates before cutting the entire guilt.

PREPARATION

Wash and iron fabrics before cutting patches. Rinse dark colors separately to check for excess dye. Continue rinsing until water runs clear.

Plan to measure, mark, and cut border strips and larger patches before smaller ones from the same fabric. Arrange patches with cutting lines close or touching for best use of fabric.

GRAIN LINE

When marking and cutting patches, one or more straight sides of the patch should follow the lengthwise or crosswise grain of fabric, especially the sides that will be on the outside edges of the quilt block. Wherever possible, we indicate lengthwise or crosswise grain with an arrow on the pattern piece.

HAND PIECING

Patches for hand piecing require precisely marked seam lines, but marked cutting lines are optional. To mark the patches, place the template face down on wrong side of fabric and draw around it accurately with a pencil. Leave just enough space between patches to add 1/4" seam allowances when cutting.

After marking the patches, cut outward from the seam line 1/4", measuring the distance by eye. The pieces will be joined right sides together, so the marked seam line on the wrong side of the fabric will be visible on both sides of the patchwork when sewing. Sew the seam through the penciled lines with a short running stitch, using a single thread. Begin and end each seam at seam line (not at edge of fabric) with two or three backstitches to secure seam.

MACHINE PIECING

Accurate cutting is very important in machine piecing. Include seam allowances in the template and mark the cutting line on back

When machine sewing patches, align cut edges with the edge of the presser foot if it is 1/4" wide. If not, place masking tape on the throat plate of the machine 1/4" away from the needle to guide you in making precise 1/4" seams. Sew all the way to the cut edge unless you are inserting a patch into an angle.

HAND APPLIQUE

Templates for hand applique do not include turn-under allowances. Place template face up on right side of the fabric and draw around it lightly with a pencil. Add 3/16" allowances to appliques and cut carefully. Turn under and baste 3/16" allowances except where edges will be tucked under other appliques. Baste in place. Clip into fold of inward curves to make pieces lie flat.

If background block is a light color, lay it over printed pattern, matching centers, to see placement for appliques. Lightly mark major shapes with pencil or simply pin appliques in position. If you cannot see through background block, finger-crease block in half lengthwise, crosswise, and diagonally to form guidelines for placement of appliques.

Pin or baste applique patches onto the background fabric, tucking raw edges under adjacent appliques as needed. Applique with an invisible blind stitch or hemming stitch in a



thread color that matches the patch, not the background. Remove basting. To facilitate the quilting later and to prevent show-through, carefully cut away background fabric from behind appliques, using sharp scissors and trimming to within 3/16" of seam line. Reinforce seams with a couple of stitches if necessary to cut across seam lines when trimming.

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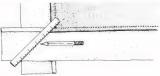
Press all seams to one side, usually toward the darker fabric. Press quilt blocks flat and square with no puckers. Correct any problems in blocks, sashes, or borders by removing a few stitches to ease puckers and resew.

SETTING BLOCKS TOGETHER

Join the blocks for the first row with 1/4" seams. Then join all blocks in the second row, and so on, until all rows are completed. Press all seam allowances in the odd-numbered rows in one direction and all seam allowances in even-numbered rows in the opposite direction. When all rows are completed, pin two rows together so that seam lines match perfectly. Join rows in groups of two, then four, and so on, until top is completed. Press all allowances in one direction, either up or down.

ADDING MITERED BORDERS

Center a border strip on each side of the quilt top to extend equally at each end. Pin, baste, and sew strips in 1/4" seams, beginning and ending the stitching at the seam line, not at outer edge of fabric. At one corner (on wrong side), smooth one border over an adjacent one and draw a diagonal line from inner seam line to the point where outer edges of two borders



cross. Reverse the two borders (bottom one is now on top), and again draw a diagonal line from inner seam line to point where outer edges cross. Match the two pencil lines (fabrics right sides together), and sew through them. Cut away excess, and press seam open. Repeat at other three corners of quilt.

MARKING FOR QUILTING

Place quilting pattern under quilt top. Lightly mark design on quilt top, using a hard lead pencil. Mark dark-colored fabrics with a chalk pencil. Be sure to test water-soluble pens for removability before marking the quilt. Some quilting may be done without marking the top. Outline quilting (1/4" from seam around patches) or quilting in-the-ditch (right next to the seam on the side without the seam allowances) can be done "by eye." Other straight lines may also be "marked" as you quilt by using a piece of masking tape that is pulled away after a line is quilted along its edge.

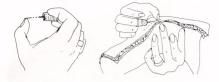
LINING

Make quilt lining about 2" larger on each side than the quilt top. Some small quilts require a single piece for lining, but usually two or three lengths must be seamed together. Remove selvedges to avoid puckers; press seam allowances to one side. Place lining, wrong side up, on a flat surface. Spread quilt batt over the lining, making sure that both stay smooth and even. Place the guilt top, right side up, on top of the batting. Pin layers as necessary to secure them while basting. Beginning in the center, baste in an "X," in rows 4" to 6" apart, and around edges.

QUILTING

Quilting is done in a short running stitch with a single strand of thread that goes through all three layers. Use a short needle (8 or 9 between) with about 18" of thread. Make a small

knot in the thread, and take a first long stitch (about 1") through top and batting only, coming up where the quilting will begin. Tug on the thread to pull the knotted end between the layers. Take straight, even stitches that are the same size on the top and bottom of the quilt. For tiny stitches, push the needle with a thimble on your middle finger; guide the fabric in front of the needle with the thumb of your hand above the quilt and with thumb and index finger of



your other hand below the quilt. To end a line of quilting, take a tiny backstitch, then make another inch-long stitch through the top and batting only. Clip thread at surface of quilt. Remove basting stitches when quilting is finished.

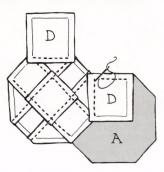
BINDING AND FINISHING

Trim quilt batt and lining even with quilt top. Leaving about 2" extra at each end, place a 1½"-wide binding strip on one edge of quilt top, right sides together. Sew through all layers with a ¼" seam, beginning and ending at seam line. Repeat for other three sides. Fold binding to the back, tuck under ¼", and blindstitch it down along seam line. At corners, trim, tuck in ends, and stitch. Rinse out any quilt marking that still shows. A nice finishing touch is to embroider your name, city, and date on the back.

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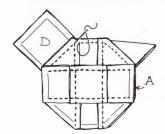
② Sew the B/C octagons as described in step 2 in the Dandelion Wine assembly directions on page 43.

③ Sew 2 D's along 2 C patch edges of pieced octagon, beginning and ending stitching at the seam line.



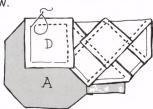
With right sides together, place an A patch underneath the D as shown above. Stitch A to D, beginning and ending at the seam line.

(5) Align the adjacent corner of the



A patch with the raw edge of the pieced octagon, right sides together. Starting in the spot where the previous stitching ended, stitch the A to the octagon, ending at the point where the previous stitching ended.

Finally, stitch the next side of A to the next D, as shown in the figure below.



Tontinue adding patches in this manner until you complete the interior of the quilt top. Add the E and F patches along the outer edges. Complete the quilt following the assembly directions for Dandelion Wine given on page 43.

After practicing these piecing techniques, you will feel confident in choosing any pattern presented, knowing that your patchwork will be accurate and precise.

TRIPLE LINK CHAIN

continued from page 25



ASSEMBLY

① Referring to the quilt illustration on page 24, sort your bright scraps into color groups. You need 8 coordinating B's and 1 lighter scrap for the A in each block. You can cut the B's from 8 different scraps as shown, or use the same fabric more than once within a block. As the illustration shows, each color group can be used to make several blocks. We suggest that you use the same green fabric for all D's, Dr's, and E's.

② Refer to the block diagrams on page 25 and the instructions on sewing partial seams on page 29. Make 42 blocks.

③ Join blocks in 7 rows of 6 blocks each. Join rows.

④ Sew short borders to top and bottom of quilt. Sew long borders to sides. Miter corners and trim excess from seam allowances.

(5) Mark the quilting motif in ½A patch. Rotate motif and mark in other half. Repeat in all A's. Quilt A's as marked. Quilt in-the-ditch around patches B-E. Bind to finish.

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